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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Sir:

It is requested that the period for filing a response to the office action dated July 31, 2001 be extended two months so that the period will expire on December 31, 2001.

A check for \$400.00 is enclosed for the extension fee.

This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,  
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